

MUNICIPAL OPERA AT
BELASCO THIS WEEKFirst Performance of "Musical
Citizens' Association" to Be
Given This Evening.

The first "musical citizens' association" to be organized in the District is preparing to give the public its first taste of municipal opera when "Musical Citizens' Association" is produced at the Belasco tonight.

The Community Singing Society was formed last fall to present musical ideals in the same way that citizens' associations present civic ideals. The organization gives Washington a permanent basis for a municipal choir which can be used at big public affairs, and which will always be ready to offer its services for civic purposes.

The production of an opera by the society was determined upon to allow the entire city to see what has been accomplished.

At various meetings held at the "Strong John" Thompson School during the last seven months, well-known citizens of the District, including Commissioner Brownlow, Henry P. Blair, president of the Board of Education; T. Moran, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and others have urged some public demonstration of the society's work. The opera, "Musical Citizens," to be produced tonight, tomorrow night and Wednesday night, is the result.

Indorsed By Educators.

The society has received the indorsement of the individual members of the Board of Education and the auditorium of the Thompson School has been turned over to it for rehearsals and meetings. The Mothers' Congress of the District and a number of civic organizations have officially indorsed the organization.

For the operatic production the patronesses and patrons include Mrs. Robert Lansing, Mrs. Claude A. Swanson, Mrs. Willard Saulsbury, Mrs. J. Q. Kern, Mrs. Christian D. Hemmick, Mrs. William Hamilton Bayley, Mrs. H. J. Caggett, Mrs. Henry Cleveland Perkins, Mrs. Armistead Peter, Mrs. Giles Scott Rafter, Byron S. Adams, Charles C. Glover, Henry P. Blair, Louis Brownlow, Ernest H. Daniel, Percy S. Foster, Dr. D. Percy Hickling, John H. Lerner, and James Farnham.

In preparing for the production the society has had the active assistance of a number of the best known concert and choir singers of the city, and of musical organizations of other cities.

The directors of the Metropolitan Grand Opera Company, of New York sent Fred Fear to Washington to take charge of the rehearsal. Mr. Fear has been with the Savage opera forces for years and is known as one of the best light opera producers in the country.

John C. Philip and Charles Myers, two well-known light opera stars, volunteered their services. Mr. Philip, a baritone well known on the concert and operatic stage, Mr. Myers is a grand opera comedian.

He has appeared here with the Savage and Aborn companies and is particularly well known for his work as Ko-Ko in "The Mikado" with the Aborn company.

Cast of Company.

The cast of the company follows: Lady Harriet Durham, maid of honor to Queen Anne, Viola Louise Schipper; Nancy, her waiting maid (Monday and Wednesday night), Jessie Masters; (Tuesday night), Florence Stephens; Lord Tristram, Nickleford, Lady Harriet's cousin, Charles E. Myers; Plunkett, a wealthy farmer, John R. Philip; Lionel, afterward Lord of Derby, Harry Stevens; Sheriff of Richmond, Harry M. Forker; First Servant, Jennie Kimmel; second Servant, Sarah E. Hickling; Third Servant, Mabel Foote Witman; Fourth Servant, Lulu McCabe; Fifth Servant, May Thompson; Sixth Servant, Marjorie Bowie; Page, Katie Goldstein; Page, Mary Goldstein; Footman, Edward R. Witman; Nanny, Joseph N. Bourne; First Farmer, E. R. Witman; Second Farmer, W. Lester Baker. Premiere danseuse, Mlle. Flavia.

Members of the chorus—Miss Hook, Lillian Montford Lutz, May Thompson, Martha Brookmier, Mabel Foote Witman, Marjorie Bowie, Esther Hughes, Helen Whitman, Mildred Hall, Duchess Hedges, Jennie Kimmel, Gladys Bromley, Sarah Hickling, Evelyn F. Weir, E. V. Ernest, Audrey Deahl, Mrs. J. Ludenig, Marjorie Stewart, Mrs. Alexander Stewart, Mrs. Ormsby, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. C. P. Griffiths, Miss Gunther, Mrs. Warren, Mrs. O. P. Allen, Mrs. M. J. Bodie, Miss B. Edmonstone, Mrs. Duvall, Mrs. A. B. Whitman, Miss Sallars, Martine Beall, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. W. S. Jones, Mrs. A. W. Hays, Mrs. Z. Z. Dunbar, Carrie Ellen Loomis, Mildred K. Schipper, Donald Cole, Harry Owens, W. Ham, A. E. Anderson, E. J. McMichael, H. McMichael, M. Thomas, W. B. Sabin, C. R. Hannan, A. Cogan, A. G. Sheppard, H. N. Wiegandt, C. J. Risler, and A. J. McLean.

Accompanists, Miss Clarine McCarty and Howard T. Wood; secretary and treasurer, W. A. Lutz.

School Children to
Repeat Baby Week Play

"Judith and Ariel," a play that won marked favor when presented during Baby Week at the central exhibit, will be repeated this evening by the same cast at the Grover Cleveland School.

The play is produced under the direction of Miss Frances Fairley, Miss Cecil Norton and other teachers at the school. Marie Graessau will be Ariel; Rae Becker will appear as Judith and Katherine Wunderluch is cast as the nurse.

Children who will take part in a fair dance include Fannie Quade, Mildred McLeod, Margaret Dorsch, and Annie Lee Wilson.

The play is being given under the auspices of the Margaret Wilson Social Center of the Grover Cleveland School for those of the neighborhood.

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STARS IN MUNICIPAL OPERA COMPANY

MABEL FOOTE WITMAN,
Soprano.MANY SMALL FIRES
MAKE FIREMEN WORKNumerous Blazes Cause Slight
Damage in Various Sections.

Several small fires yesterday kept the fire department busy.

The Chelsea Theater, 1913 M street northwest, was damaged to the extent of \$600 by an explosion of the film machine. Daniel Thompson was slightly injured about the face and hands and removed to the Emergency Hospital.

A fire at 1436 H street northeast caused damage of \$700. The house is occupied by George W. Robinson. The origin is unknown.

Damage estimated at \$200 was done by a fire of undetermined origin at the home of Mrs. Emma Lee, 322 U street northwest. A small blaze in the second floor of 727 Twenty-fourth street northwest caused damage of \$25.

The department was called upon also to extinguish a fire in an awning on a store at Eleventh and F streets northwest. Damage estimated at \$5 was done by a small blaze at 330 Eighth street northwest.

Above—JESSIE MASTERS, contralto.
Below—CHARLES MYERS, comedian, and JOHN C. PHILIP, baritone.

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Interest Increasing in
Tennis Tournament
For Times TrophiesTeams Are Planning for Next
Year and New Courts Will Be
Put In.

PLAY TO BE RESUMED TODAY

Several Division Championships
Are to Be Determined During
the Present Week.Today's Program
In Tennis Tourney

Bloomington playground—
Brookland vs. Cleveland.
Gallinger playground—Bradley
vs. Toner.
Garfield Park playground—Van
Ness vs. Smallwood.
Rosedale playground—Maury vs.
Pierce.
Virginia Avenue playground—
Cranch vs. Wallach.

avenue playground, between Cranch
and Wallach.
Plans for division championship games
will be announced by Miss Ella Gard-
ner, director of girls' activities of the
playgrounds department, the last of the
week.

Search for Boy Who
Took Pocketbook

Search is being made by the police
for a colored boy who is charged by
Miss Alice Callahan, 308 Massachu-
setts avenue northeast, with having
robbed her of a silver mesh bag con-
taining \$5, two rosaries, and a hand-
kerchief.

Miss Callahan reported the bag was
snatched from her in K street north-
east, near Second street, yesterday.
The boy was described as about
fourteen years old, dark skin and
dressed in dark clothes. After pos-
sessing himself of the bag the boy
mounted a bicycle and rode away.

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